

Governor Baldacci's  
Task Force Promoting Safer Chemicals in Consumer Products  
Wednesday ,January 24, 2007 12:30 PM-3:30 PM  
Cross Office Building, Augusta, Maine  
MINUTES

Attendees

Task Force members: David Littell, Brian Dancause, Kathy Murray, Deborah Rice, Sharon Tisher, Nick Bennett, Stacie Beyer, Steve Pinette, John Wise

Other Task Force: Ginger Jordan-Hillier, staff

Interested Parties: Jeremy Caron/DAFS, Jetta Antonakas/SPO, Steve Rosario/American Chemistry Council, Patty Aho/Pierce Atwood Consulting, Leanne Diehl/Public Affairs Group, Barbara Little/Albermarle, Heidi Overbeck/House Majority staff

Work Groups meetings:

Chemical Policy and Information met jointly with no outcomes to report

Green Chemistry: Did not meet

Assignments from Work Group joint meeting:

Ginger

Check compliance history of mercury products reporting

Contact Mark Hyland to speak with Work Groups on IMERC and discuss considerations, possibilities for expanding the substances they manage

Send TCPH and NIH/NLM Consumer Products link to Task Force

Sharon T.

Will look at N.J, Penn and Federal MSDS requirements

Steve Rosario

Overview on current labeling requirements re: FDA, TSCA, MSDS for consumer products

Possible speakers for some future meeting:

Mark Rossi, Clean Production Action

Presentation and Q&A (Handouts attached): Dr. Deborah Rice and John James

PBDE/decaBDE a case study: challenges for state staff tasked with researching and developing recommendations to the legislature on regulation of specific chemicals including a. lack of a public policy established framework to determine chemicals of more concern vs. less concern and b. proprietary information.